

Houghton Department

WADDELL MEN ARE RELEASED UNDER OLD MICHIGAN LAW

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Today the court ordered the men released.

Testimony is Conflicting.

The motion, yesterday, was based on grounds that the men were brought to Houghton county from Chicago on a fraudulent representation; that after they had come voluntarily to testify in a definitely described case they were asked to testify in an entirely different case.

Contradictory statements were offered yesterday by Prosecuting Attorney Lucas and Deputy Sheriff Chelver.

Deputy Sheriff Chelver swore the subpoena he served on Kelly, Grimes and Nellis in Chicago were in a case against Melven for perjury and that he received these subpoenas from Prosecuting Attorney Lucas at the latter's office in Calumet.

Prosecuting Attorney Lucas went on the stand and swore that there had been no case against Melven for perjury but that he had made a complaint against Melven as accessory after the fact of the Painesdale murders, as accessory to Kelly, Grimes and Nellis that is because he had refused to testify against these men, claiming his constitutional right.

In affidavits Grimes and Kelly swore that the subpoenas served on them in Chicago by Deputy Sheriff Chelver were in a case of the people vs. W. A. Melven, charged with perjury. They came voluntarily expecting to testify in that case.

SUPERVISORS DISPOSE OF ROUTINE AFFAIRS TODAY

W. J. GALBRAITH TO REPRESENT COUNTY AT STATE EQUALIZATION MEETING.

Today's meeting of the Houghton county board of supervisors was brief and little other than routine affairs came up for disposition. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith of Torch Lake township, Attorney William J. Galbraith of Calumet was named to represent the county at the state board of equalization meeting in Lansing on August.

Supervisor Smith also offered a motion to the effect that the salary of the chairman of the county highway commission be increased to \$500 per year. The motion carried.

Supervisor Mason of Hancock moved that the salary of County Agent Thomas McGrath be increased from \$25 to \$35 per month, explaining that Mr. McGrath occupies his entire time in connection with the office. Supervisor Hannay of Chippewah offered an amendment that the matter be placed in the hands of a committee. The amended motion passed but no further action was taken.

Supervisor O'Rourke of Franklin endeavored to relieve the monotony of the session with a motion that a committee investigate the recent running of the bridge by the summer grounds. He incorporated in his motion a clause that the entire bridge be replanked. No action was taken on the motion.

Adjournment was taken to Wednesday, June 11, the regular day. Today's session completed with the review of the tax rolls to the supervisors.

COMPETE FOR MOORE TROPHY.

Military Organizations of County to Arrange Details Soon.

Representatives of the Houghton Light Infantry, Calumet Engineers and Hancock Naval Reserve will meet within a few days to arrange conditions for the Moore rifle competition. When Dr. J. W. Moore presented the trophy to the Houghton company, without any conditions, the military men decided that all of the national annual competitions in the county should be permitted to contest for its ownership. The decision for the trophy, a wall shield in the form of a target, to be worked out in company and after, was selected a few days ago by the donor and an order for its manufacture was placed through Matt Hovey, the local jeweler.

Fifteen members of the company participated in the first outdoor shoot of the year Sunday afternoon on the Huronville rifle range. The new targets are in position and despite adverse weather, some excellent scores were registered. The company plans considerable outdoor practice during the summer.

Company Inspection Friday. Capt. W. J. Sanders of the Houghton Light Infantry has been advised that Lieut. Col. Charles H. Muir, U. S. A., will be here Friday evening to inspect the troop company. Col. Muir replaces Capt. R. O. Rensdine who has been ordered to duty with his company. Officers of the company declare they have no fear of the inspection as the equipment is in excellent condition and the men are well instructed.

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TELEPHONE EXCHANGE WILL BE MOVED SUNDAY, MAY 24

HEADQUARTERS OF PHONE COMPANY TO BE IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE.

One week from next Sunday, May 24, the transfer of the telephone exchange from the Gazette building on Isle Royale street to the Masonic temple on Sheldon street will take place. The transfer will not be attended with any formality, or will it include the usual incidents of moving, because none of the furnishing or fixtures from the old exchange will be used in the new location.

The change will require probably an hour's time, according to a statement by Manager Relf this morning. The only things that will be moved are the records.

Sunday has been selected as the day on which to do the work because the telephone system is not as busy on that day as on others.

Telephone Alarm Clocks. The Duluth Telephone company made formal announcement recently to the effect that in the future, contrary to the rules of most companies, it would accommodate its subscribers by acting as an alarm clock. By this the officials of the Duluth company meant that when a subscriber asked to be called at an early hour in the morning "central" would ring his phone at the time he wished to get up.

Manager Relf of the local telephone company stated that this has been done for some time by the "central" girls of Houghton and Calumet and they would continue to do so. It is an ordinary duty, or at least one that has been for some time.

The practice of having the telephone girls ring in the small hours of the morning has one drawback, however, when the party wishing to be called is on a party line. When the central girl rings the phone, all the telephone bells on the party line ring and thus the neighbors of the early riser and disturbed.

HOUGHTON BREVITIES.

Eugene Beahan, school census enumerator for Houghton and Portage townships, commenced his work this morning. The per capita of the primary fund distribution this year is \$2.25 and Portage township will draw from the state the amount of money for every person of school age between 5 and 16 years, appearing on the list.

Frank Wagner has purchased the interest of Andrew Easley in the Easley & Wagner hardware shop. He will conduct the shop in the future in partnership with his father, John Wagner. Mr. Easley states that he expects to locate in southern Michigan in the near future.

Miss Myrtle Schrandt, traveling chief operator in the upper peninsula for the Michigan State Telephone company, is visiting the branch office at Houghton. Mr. and Mrs. L. Abel returned yesterday from Chicago.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Treble Bergeron of Houghton took place yesterday morning at 12 o'clock.

Miss Norma Doe has commenced a canvass for membership for the Houghton County Agricultural society. The object is to increase interest in the coming Copper Country Fair. Miss Doe expects to canvass the entire county for this purpose.

The Ladies Aid society of Grace M. E. church will serve a coffee Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. P. W. McKelr, East Houghton.

Ralph Haas, agent in Houghton and Marquette counties for the Peerless and Lozier cars, yesterday delivered to Capt. James Houston of Laurium a Peerless touring car, one of the most important recent automobiles sales in the district.

Mrs. Abe Hebert has returned to her home in Amador, Mont., after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dumonthier.

The annual reception to the seniors of the Painesdale high school will be given in the assembly room of the high school Friday evening. A Houghton orchestra will furnish the music. Following the reception there will be a gymnasium exhibit by classes under the direction of Mrs. Cora Jeffers and Miss Laura Hamilton, gymnasium instructor.

Mrs. Anna Kohl of Houghton returned yesterday from Eveleth, where she has been visiting her daughter for the past five weeks.

The many copper country friends of Jonah Orison, manager of the Atlas Powder interests in this section of the country, will be pleased to learn that he continues to improve steadily at the Presbyterian hospital, Chicago, where he underwent a serious operation several weeks ago.

OFFICIALS VISIT HAMILTON.

Duke and Duchess of Connaught are Accompanied Big Reception. Hamilton, Ont., May 12.—The Governor-General, accompanied by the Duchess of Connaught, Princess Patricia and the members of his staff, paid a visit to Hamilton today and was accorded a patriotic welcome, in which practically the whole city and surrounding country participated. Following the public reception the duke attended the formal commencement of work on the construction of the new Royal Connaught hotel. The entire city was resplendent in its decorations for the visit of the vice-regal party.

GREENWOOD—John T. Lepien, 51 is dead here after an illness of eight weeks. He had lived in this section since 1851.

PORT HURON—The Port Huron Lumber company's plant was destroyed by fire Thursday morning. It will be rebuilt at once.

AN ALARMING DECREASE IN BIRTHS IN GERMANY.

For some time there has been concern in Germany, about the empire's declining birth rate. This concern has recently been increased by the prediction of Professor Wolff, an eminent economist, that by 1920 Germany would fall below France in the rate of increase in population. Will the most prolific among civilized people have reached a standstill in numbers before six years have passed?

According to the minister of war's recent statement, corroborated by the minister of the interior, Germany seems to be following the French, English and Americans in the decline of the number of marriages, the increase in the number of divorces and the decrease in the birth rate. In 1875 the birth rate in Germany was 29.4 for every thousand inhabitants, while in 1912 it had fallen to 29. This decrease was comparatively negligible up to the beginning of the present century. From 1876 to 1906 the decline in the rate was 2.4 a thousand, while from 1906 to 1912 it was 7 more than double.

The cause of the decline in the German birth rate is attributed, first of all to the growth of city life. In the country districts the large German family is still the rule. Especially in this true of all Roman Catholic families. In the kingdom of Bavaria, where the church is very strong in numbers, the birth rate shows no falling off. The Bavarian Catholics not unreasonably boast that they are saving family life for the whole empire.

The lowering of the birth rate does not indicate the lowering of Teutonic physical stamina or the deterioration of morals. This is proved by the physical examination for army service which shows that the men are as sound and good as they were a generation ago.

The decline in the growth of population has naturally raised some speculation as to the ambition and power of Germany to become a great colonizing nation. "If we are going to stop growing," the Germans say, "we shall have no need for new lands, as we will have to keep our people at home to hold our own lands."

What saves Germans from gloom is the low death rates. In 1875 it was 28 for every 100 inhabitants; by 1900 it had been reduced to 20.2, while in 1912 it was only 16.2. But for these death rate figures, the minister of war declares, "there would have been an actual reduction in the population." The low death rate is due to improved hygienic conditions. But even these conditions, adds the minister, cannot save the nation from the steadily falling birth rate—indeed, the government may be compelled later to lengthen the term of service in the army from two years, as now, to three years, as in France, according to the new French law.

INDIANS AND TUBERCULOSIS.

Dr. John N. Alley, superintendent of the United States Sanatorium for Indians at Fort Lapwai, Idaho, says he is convinced, after a study of the causes of death among the Nez Perce Indians for the last ten years, that 90 per cent of all the deaths are due directly or indirectly to tuberculosis. In the hundred years that have elapsed since the historic expedition of Lewis and Clark to the Northwest, the Nez Perce tribe has diminished from 8,000 to 1,200. The present tuberculosis death rate is about 40 per thousand living or two and one-half times the rate in the United States as a whole.

Dr. Alley traces the cause of the decimation to the change in the mode of living of the Indians from the open air life of the plains to the sedentary, settled life of the reservation. The latter has brought with it the danger of house infection which was automatically eliminated in the earlier days. "Ventilation," says Dr. Alley, "is completely foreign to an Indian's nature. It is with great difficulty that you can get them to pay any heed to this important part of sanitation. I have known twenty or thirty to gather in a small room where an advanced case of tuberculosis has been housed for months, and to close all the doors and windows, even plugging up the keyholes."

In a recent report of the office of Indian affairs, Commissioner Sells points out that there are approximately 25,000 Indians in the United States suffering from tuberculosis, and that the available government facilities for their care will not exceed 200 beds.

CASTOFFS IN THE LEAD.

"Doc" White and Hub Pernell Top Pacific Coast Leaguers. Two former major leaguers, "Doc" White and "Hub" Pernell, are leading the pitchers in the Pacific Coast league.

Pernell was given two trials with Detroit and failed to make good on either occasion. Near the close of last season Oakland turned him adrift and San Francisco took him on in the hope that he would display his old-time form. Pernell did not display much pitching sense for the Seals and when reporting this spring was a doubtful quality.

Since the start of the season, however, he has boomed along. He now has eight consecutive victories to his credit and he has been growing better with each game. Chicago has connections in San Francisco and there is a chance that "Hub" will return to the majors as a member of the White Sox.

EXTRAVAGANT.

She was the youngest of eight children in a minister's family, and as his salary was not large she already had learned that there were many things the family could not have. One day her father told her that she had a new baby sister.

"Well, papa," she said, bravely, "I suppose it's all right, but it seems to me there were a lot of things we needed more."—N. Y. World.

GIVES CREDIT TO HUGH.

Eastern Critic Discusses Rebuilding of Tigers.

In building up or in rebuilding his club, Hugh Jennings was up against a much harder handicap than either McGraw or Mack, says an eastern critic. The Giant leader, through all his shifts, had Mathewson to build around in developing a new staff. Mack has had Plank and Bender.

But from the old pennant days of 1909 Jennings hasn't been able to carry on a pitcher from the old guard. Donovan, Summers, Killian, Sever, Willett, Mullin and the rest have all faded from his staff. He had to find an entire staff of pitchers—which is not the simplest discovery ever established.

And those who criticize Hughes for not having entered another winner should recall the fact that rebuilding a victorious club is no light task. McGraw won a pennant in 1905, and it was six years later, 1911, before he established another flag. Mathewson, Mack also won in 1905, and then had to wait until 1910 before he had erected his present legion. When a pennant machine cracks the wreckage seems to be utter and complete.

FEDS PLAN REPRISALS IF HERRMANN LOSES.

One thing sure and certain: If the legal imbroglio now in progress between the Cincinnati Reds and the Federal league should wind up in a disaster to Garry Herrmann, there will be a concerted, determined attack upon the Cincinnati club—an attack which will dwarf all the other skirmishes between "reds" and "feds," even as Mount McKinley dwarfed a hole in the ground. Madison of Kansas City and his backers, so he said, will risk a lot of money in an attempt to wreck the Reds, and the men they have picked for their lures will be severely tempted by fat cash propositions. Despite the rebuff given them by Marsans a few days ago, the Feds will make another play for him, and Dick Hoblitzel, Johnny Bates, Leon Ames and Helme Groh are also sought with avid anxiety. Tinker is hoping to get Ames, and it is hinted, wants Groh for his Chicago infield. A decision in the Johnson case—that is a decision favorable to the Federals—will turn pandemonium loose in baseball.

MAY CITY—A quarrel over a line fence between H. A. Wright and A. W. Hubbell here resulted in a fight in which both men were seriously injured.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE
Weather Bureau.
Charles F. Marvin, Chief,
DAILY WEATHER BULLETIN,
Houghton, Michigan, Tuesday May 12, 1914.
Masonic Temple—Telephone No. 461.

Station.	Temp.	Wind.	Direction.	Velocity.	Clouds.	State of Weather.
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Buffalo.....	40	8	ne	24	18	Cloudy
Chicago.....	40	8	n	22	20	Rain
Duluth.....	28	19	n	12	00	Clear
Escanaba.....	36	6	ne	24	00	Partly Cloudy
Green Bay.....	38	6	ne	20	14	Cloudy
Houghton.....	32	2	w	8	00	Clear
Milwaukee.....	38	8	ne	20	17	Rain
New Orleans 68	3	0	4	00	00	Cloudy
New York.....	50	14	ne	20	14	Cloudy
Port Arthur.....	29	6	ne	8	00	Clear
St. Louis.....	30	6	ne	8	00	Cloudy
St. Paul.....	34	0	n	18	28	Clear
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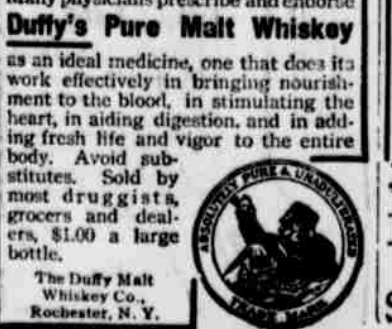
Weather Forecast
(Till 7 P. M. Wednesday)
Copper Country: Fair tonight and Wednesday. Frost tonight.

Weather Conditions.
The storm that was centered in the Great Plains yesterday morning has moved to the Ohio Valley and has decreased considerably in energy. In its eastward passage it caused high winds, local storms, and general rains in the Central Mississippi Valley and the Lower Lakes. Storm winds are reported from nearly all Lake ports with the exception of Lake Superior. Rain in excess of one inch occurred at Milwaukee, Grand Haven and Toledo. It was warmer at some points in the Lake Region this morning but there has been a severe drop in temperature, at some points as much as 30 degrees in 24 hours, throughout the Great Plains and fair weather prevails throughout the West and Northwest this morning, due to an immense field of high pressure with its crest over the Dakotas. Fair weather, with but little change in temperature, is indicated for this vicinity. Moderate northerly winds will prevail.

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